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Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary
Department of Telecommunications and Energy
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
One South Station, 2nd. Floor
Boston, MA 02110

Re: DTE 03-40, Petition of Boston Gas company d/b/a KeySpan Energy Delivery New England, pursuant to General Laws Chapter 164, § 94 and 220 C.M.R §§ 5.0 et seq. For a general increase in gas rates.

Dear Secretary Cottrell,

The Energy Consortium (TEC) hereby requests a two-week extension in order to secure legal counsel to represent TEC as a limited participant in the referenced proceeding.

TEC is a nonprofit association representing large C&I energy users in Massachusetts regulatory matters for over 31 years. It advocates positions that promote responsible use and reliable energy delivery at fair and reasonable rates for its members and all Massachusetts ratepayers. TEC has been a participant in gas regulatory matters and has several members who are customers of Boston Gas/KeySpan. TEC believes the interest of its members will be substantially and specifically affected by this proceeding. TEC feels that proper resolution of Boston Gas's proposed rate increase is important to our members as well as other gas customers who are facing significant economic pressure in the Boston Gas distribution area.

Respectively submitted,

Roger Borghesani, Chairman
The Energy Consortium

CC: DTE E-filing
Jed Nosal, Hearing Officer